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Mr. Ken Chambers American Freightways 3100 South Beltline Road Irving, TX 75060 Ref. No. 99-0077

400 Seventh Street, S.W.

Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Mr. Chambers:

This is in response to your letter dated March 25, 1999, regarding segregation requirements under § 177.848 of the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR; 49 CFR Parts 171-180). Specifically you ask if it is permissible to transport corrosive materials in the same vehicle with material known to be foodstuffs.

The answer is yes. Under § 177.841, a package bearing or required to bear a POISON or POISON INHALATION HAZARD label may not be transported in the same motor vehicle with material known to be foodstuffs. However, the HMR does not impose restrictions on the transportation of materials bearing a CORROSIVE label with material known to be foodstuffs.

I hope this satisfies your request.

Sincerely,

John A. Gale

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